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## Rep. Conley: Authors Legislation to Create Statewide Mask Order

MADISON - Despite ever-increasing numbers of COVID-19 cases and deaths, Wisconsin Republicans eliminated Gov. Tony Evers' statewide mask order. In response, Wisconsin Democrats immediately introduced a bill that would create a new statewide mask order for the remainder of the pandemic. The proposed statewide mask order would be in effect until the conclusion of the national emergency declared by the President of the United States in response to COVID-19.

"Let's not continue to play politics with the health of our communities," said Rep. Conley (D-Janesville). "As leaders we need to promote common sense public health efforts, and we know that wearing a mask is one of the most simple yet most effective things we can do to prevent COVID-19 from infecting our loved ones and communities."

Continued Rep. Conley, "Because masks work to protect all of us and because I know official orders make a difference in how many people wear masks in public places, I am proud to author a bill to ensure Wisconsin has a statewide mask order in place for the remainder of the COVID-19 emergency. Many of my constituents have asked me to support a statewide mask order because it is a crucial component in the fight to beat COVID-19. I hope my Republican colleagues will join me to pass this bill as soon as possible, so we can continue protecting Wisconsinites from COVID-19."

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